

# COMMUNITY NEWS

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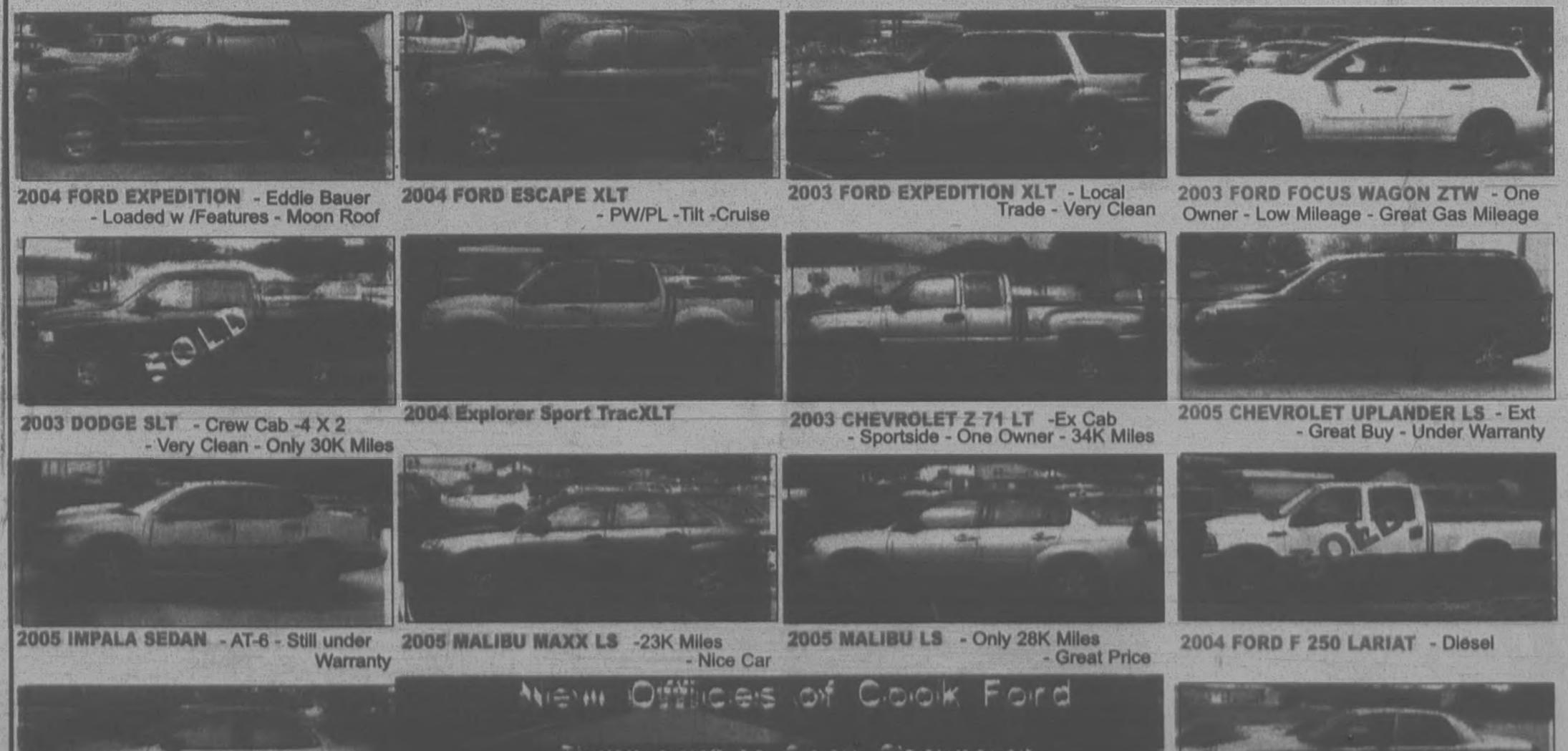
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# The Elba Clipper

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## Elba Council approves cost-of-living raise for city retirees

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council last week approved a cost-of-living increase for all city retirees in town Elba streets on Tuesday of this week. City Clerk Wayne Grantham announced that the goal is to repair damaged streets in the entire city, or until the limited supply of asphalt is exhausted.

There has been a problem getting any asphalt for repair work since Hurricane Katrina damaged oil refineries across the South, cut short the availability of any products containing petroleum products.

### Readings at Troy campuses to benefit area Katrina victims

A play written about a hurricane that hit New Orleans 40 years ago and the lives it affected who has settled in Troy. An Evening with Betsy, Voices From the Storm, was nominated best original play in 2001 by the Big Easy Award committee. This multi-media production tells first-hand accounts of those that survived Hurricane Betsy, the famous storm that devastated New Orleans area 40 years ago.

For 15 years, Lemoine taught English, journalism and theater arts in New Orleans and St. Bernard Parish. He now serves as the writer and producer for PEN-TV, the educational television network for St. Bernard Public School System.

"We are greatly indebted to Barry Lemoine for sharing his talent with us to help those whose lives were changed by Katrina," Dr. Cochran said. "At a time when he could focus only on returning his life to normal, Barry is helping others get their lives back to normal."

The playwright, Barry Lemoine, is a Katrina evacuee and Fine Arts Troy University theater students and faculty will perform the readings.

The schedule for the readings is:

Sunday, Sept. 25, 3 p.m. at the Rosa Parks Museum Theatre on the Montgomery Campus; Monday, Sept. 26, 7 p.m. at the Claudia Crosby Theater on the Troy Campus; and Tuesday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m. at Sony Hall on the Dothan Campus.

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below projections and departmental expenses are somewhat above budget, partially due to increased fuel costs.

Mayor James Grimes explained that income appeared down because the State of Alabama is a bit slow in remitting sales taxes this time of the year.

### Elba School Board hears positive report on Alabama Reading First program

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City School Board members formally approved the Children's First Plan for 2005-2006 in a regular meeting on Sept. 13. They also heard Superintendent Danny Weeks give a positive report on school finances, address energy conservation measures and the result of recent review of the Alabama Reading program.

The Superintendent reported that the Elba school system received a glowing exit report from the visiting committee reviewing the Alabama Reading First program. The committee voted to purchase a new 1/2 ton work truck for the Recreation Department at the state bid price of \$12,363.

Efforts to buy a used pick up truck from state surplus were scratched as the cost of the used unit was almost \$12,000.

Grantham also informed council members that the storm pump system is almost finished and generators are back up on both pumps.

Mayor James Grimes scheduled a council workshop for Monday, September 19th to review the budget for the upcoming year and discuss changes in the existing garbage and trash ordinance.



**FLAME CONTROL...**Members of the Elba Fire Department were called upon Friday morning, Sept. 16, to extinguish a structure fire near the residence of 4212 County Road 364. Dispatchers at the Elba Police Department received the call for help at approximately 1:48 a.m. Friday morning. While flames were visible when the fire department arrived, the firemen were able to smother the blaze within a matter of minutes preventing it from destroying the structure. Once the fire was out, the firemen thoroughly examined the structure making sure they had successfully completed their task.

### According to New Brockton Police Two arrested in sexual abuse case

by Linda Hodge, Editor

A joint investigation between local law enforcement agencies led to the recent arrest of two individuals in connection with the alleged sexual assault of a juvenile.

Officers made a second arrest in this case last week when Tommy Jerome Harris of New Brockton was arrested and charged with harassment. He also was taken to the Coffee County Jail, but since has been released on a \$500 bond.

### Jobs available with expanding employers

Manufacturing production jobs are available with three Wiregrass area employers.

Job seekers must complete AIDT training to be considered for employment with Toledo Molding and Die in Elba and Shaw Industries in Andalusia.

AIDT will coordinate on-the-job training for new employees hired by HS Automotive Enterprise, Alabama Inc. in Enterprise.

Elba automotive supplier, Toledo Molding and Die Inc., is seeking production operators for its Coffee County plant.

AIDT training applications are available at the plant at 375 Highway 203 (State Road 189) in Elba and at the Alabama Career Centers in Andalusia, 312 West Gate Plaza, and in Enterprise, 2021 Boll Weevil Circle.

Manufacturing jobs are available with Andalusia's carpet maker, Shaw Industries. Applications for training are available at the LBW Performing Arts Center at 1735 E. Bypass in Andalusia. Training applications must be completed and returned Sept. 21-22.

### NOTICE

Coffee County Habitat for Humanity will hold an Orientation - Training Session for volunteers Tuesday, Sept. 27, from 6-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in New Brockton (Dawkins Street). Pizza and cokes will be provided.

Habitat for Humanity is looking for volunteers to serve on all committees: site selection, family selection, family support, fund raising and construction.

For more information, call Charlotte Goolsby at 347-2866.

**COVENANT WITH ONE ANOTHER...**The members of Covenant Community Church of Elba enjoyed a special day Sunday, Sept. 11, when the church held a ribbon cutting and open house for its new church building. Construction recently was completed for the new building, located at 2667 Hickman Avenue, Elba. Joining the church members for the ribbon cutting ceremony were several city officials including Elba Mayor James Grimes; Kaye Whitworth, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce; and the city queens - Miss Elba Kendal Stinson, Jr. Miss Elba Christina Bryant and Little Miss Elba Caitlin Bradshaw. More than 100 church members were present for this celebration. An open house was held in the afternoon welcoming the public to "Discover Covenant."

**REMINDER**  
Chapter Five of Guidance  
Printed in located on Page 9 of  
this week's paper.

**Covenant Community Church prepares Katrina Kits for storm victims**

Like many people, Covenant Community Church member Laurie Chapman wanted to help the thousands of evacuees affected by Hurricane Katrina.

"I was glued to the TV, and I wanted to do something that would make a difference," Chapman said. "But I didn't have a lot of money to give."

Chapman met with Covenant pastor, and Alabama Cooperative Baptist Fellowship coordinator Mart Gray and other church members to discuss what to do. They decided to put together personal care packages, or Katrina Kits, containing basic items to help evacuees. Members of Hebron Baptist Church in Wilkinsburg, Ala., offered to help. But now they needed to get the word out.

Chapman contacted Justin Klemm to design and implement the Web site. Chris Panetta agreed to purchase the domain name ([www.katrinakits.com](http://www.katrinakits.com)) and host the site. Both provided their services for no charge. Within a few hours, the site was up and running, complete with a secure method to make donations through PayPal, an online payment service.

More than 50 Katrina Kits have already been assembled.

"This is something people can do to help who can't go to those hard hit areas," Gray said. "We're trying to create as many handles on this as we can."

A donation of \$12 to \$14 pays for one of the three different kits available, one for men, women and children. Adult kits include items such as disposable razors, a towel, shampoo, brush or comb and lip balm. The child's kit contains, among other items,

a package of diapers, teething ring, wipes and a diaper bag. Hand sanitizer, insect repellent, ibuprofen and formula can also be added to the kits.

The church plans to distribute Katrina Kits to evacuees in Bayou La Batre, Ala., and other affected areas. Sponsors are Covenant Community Church, AlabamaCBP, Online.

Construction Inc. and Mygreenfamily.com. More sponsors are encouraged to join.

Covenant is donating all of the September receipts to Hurricane Katrina relief. They are encouraging other churches in the area to consider a similar response to this disaster.

Chapman, who is hosting two evacuees and their children from Biloxi, Miss., is encouraging other churches and charged with sexual abuse, second degree. His bond was set at \$3,000, and he was released on a \$500 bond.

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**Area Happenings**

**A FAMILY COUNCIL MEETING** is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 22, at 6:30 p.m. in the conference room of the Hospital and Nursing Home.

**THE ANNUAL ELBA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BANQUET** will be held Thursday, Sept. 22, at 6:30 p.m. at the Elba Recreation Center. The evening will include a meal, awards ceremony and entertainment. Dress for the event is causal.

**THE 2005 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON** opens Saturday, Sept. 23, with all area teams in action. The Elba Tigers will travel to Luverne, the New Bernock Gamcocks will visit Pleasant Home, the Zion Chapel Rebels will travel to St. Jude, the Kinston Bulldogs will travel to Samson and the Brantley Bulldogs will host Highland Home. Kickoff for all games is set for 7 p.m.

**OPERATION SAVE TEENS** program will be held Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 6 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium. This community-wide drug awareness meeting will be hosted by the Elba Police Department and AJC Drug Operations. The program is open to the public and parents, grandparents, students (recommended for ages grade 7 and up), and concerned citizens are urged to attend.

**THE ZION CHAPEL HOMECOMING PARADE** will be Saturday, Oct. 7, at 1:30 p.m. Dress up for the parade will begin at 1 p.m. Anyone interested in having a parade route needs to call Zion Chapel High School at 897-3273 before Friday, Sept. 30.

## EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS  
with Ferrin Cox

Sometimes it seems impossible to do the right thing. This week we received a "Letter to the Editor" blasting a local business. The writer may have been right or she may have been in error, but our thoughts were that in fairness we should give the business a chance to tell their story from their perspective. We proceeded accordingly. However the letter writer didn't like that . . . not at all. She asked that her letter not be published, indicating it shouldn't have been printed in that manner. Now unfortunately it's still put out with the rest and is probably causing upset with our readers. We are especially upset with yours truly, who had the final say in the matter. That part is deeply regrettable, but our limited brain says we would do the same again, again and again. Now we can only hope that with time her anger subsides and she will accept our decision even if the never agrees with it.

Victims of Hurricane Katrina continue to suffer . . . in ways we can only imagine, even as a flood victim on two occasions ourselves. However that does not stop us from being very critical of some of those who make it in front of the TV cameras . . . victims, government officials and the self proclaimed "experts" who seem to find fault with the sun shining (or not shining) or whatever. Our latest ulcer maker examples are those who are blaming the flood for "allowing" the mayor of New Orleans to invite residents to return to the city before services are available. At the same time the mayor (the one who . . . while looking at pictures of busses he allowed to stay in town and get flooded - can't think of but one mistake he made and that was not fussing louder at the feds) is on another TV channel complaining because the feds don't understand that he is in complete charge in New Orleans.

Then there are the TV noise makers who were complaining because President Bush was ignoring the plight of the victims, yet when Bush responds, they begin complaining about the country not being able to afford to do all that is needed for those victims! There might be a little bit of political rancor motivating these folks, but not us of course . . . never.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, September 12, 2005, investigated the following incidents: three for theft of property, one apartment fire, three for domestic violence, one family dispute, one hit and run, two for criminal mischief, one harassment, one criminal trespassing, one disorderly conduct, two for reckless endangerment, one for public indecency or minor in consumption and the possession of a controlled substance.

The following arrests were made: one for violation of a protection order, one for domestic violence and five for minor in consumption.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: one for no proof of insurance, two for speeding, one for improper parking and one for a suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, Sept. 12 - Possible domestic disturbance reported at Beaver Dam Apartments (6:56 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 8940 Hwy. 141 (11:25 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1840 County Rd. 409 (2:02 p.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported on Hwy. 84 E. (4:30 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched

TUESDAY, Sept. 13 - River stage - 6.42 feet (7:00 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1840 County Rd. 409 (2:02 p.m.); Two-vehicle wreck reported on Hwy. 84 E. (4:30 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14 - Domestic disturbance reported at 2686 Hickman Ave. (5:04 p.m.).

THURSDAY, Sept. 15 - River stage - 6.00 feet (6:42 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 996 Hwy. 203 (3:57 p.m.).

FRIDAY, Sept. 16 - River stage - 6.00 feet (7:17 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 84 County Rd. 432 (11:00 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a structure fire at 4212 County Rd. 364 (11:48 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 4212 County Rd. 364 (12:06 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to 4212 County Rd. 364 (12:42 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported on Hwy. 84 E. (3:42 p.m.); Domestic disturbance (with a knife involved) reported at 767 County Rd. 401 (8:45 p.m.).

SATURDAY, Sept. 17 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 3012 County Rd. 206 (1:42 p.m.); Report of a person with a gun at the Elba Marketplace parking lot (11:44 p.m.); Domestic disturbance (with a knife involved) reported at 1127 Morrow Village (3:51 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1127 Morrow Village (3:55 p.m.); Domestic disturbance (with a knife involved) reported at 767 County Rd. 401 (8:45 p.m.).

SUNDAY, Sept. 18 - Wreck reported on Hwy. 84 E. (3:54 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 719 Simmons St. (5:23 a.m.); River stage - 6.59 feet (7:23 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a brush fire across from Clark Furniture (7:27 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the laundromat next to Big/Little Laundry (7:24 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched

## KITS

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aged by the response. Donations are coming in along Plastic storage boxes, Band-Aids (adhesive bandages), Baby bottles, Baby wipes, Toy/teething ring, Toy bottle of liquid baby wash (for hair and body), Diapers (minimum size 2), Insect repellent, www.thefellowship.info/landing/relief.htm. Monetary contributions are most needed, the Web site has an online giving option.

PIKE COUNTY FAIR in Troy Sept. 27-Oct. 1st Sponsored by the Shriners Carnival, Rides & Concession.

## BULLETIN BOARD

• ABUSING CHEMICAL SUBSTANCES THROUGH CHRISTIAN FAITHS: addiction recovery ministry services - Thurs. 11 p.m. - Info Baptist Outreach, Inc. 665-5000 or the website: [www.baptistprint.com](http://www.baptistprint.com)

• ALCOHOL & DRUG RECOVERY: DAVE SIEGEL, GRAND COUNCIL: Tues. 6 p.m. - Shiloh Baptist Church of Elba - Call 897-5037 for more information.

• COFFEE COUNTY COMMIS- SION: 2nd & 4th Monday - Coffee County Room in Farm Center Complex @ Hwy. 203

• LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - Elba City Senior Center

• AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church

• GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: every Monday 6:30 p.m. - Elba United Methodist Church on side of Hwy. 203 St. George Cemetery

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• MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month 7:00 p.m.

• BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Monday 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School

• VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon. 11 a.m. & Tues. 1:30 p.m. - New Brockton Farm Center Complex 894-8588

• COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. - 2nd Wed. 5 p.m. - Club House

• COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN - 3rd Wed. Noon- Colony Inn, Enterprise

• ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 2nd Friday at noon - Disc golf Hanger at the Airport

• AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month

• ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB - 1st & 3rd Monday 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room

• NEW SEASONS GOLF CLUB - Tues. 11 a.m. - Elba

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# SCHOOLS



## Tiger Tales

Editors:  
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### Journalism Spotlight

This week's Journalism Spotlight is Kayla Kelley.

Kayla is the 17-year-old daughter of Jerry and Theresa Kelley and is currently a senior at Elba High School. Kayla exemplifies her leadership ability at Elba High by serving as an EHS Ambassador, Key Club President, Sr. Beta President, Girl Scout Troop #300 President, Elba Editor and Auxiliary and Majorette Captain.

In her spare time, Kayla enjoys being with her boyfriend, Bradley, traveling, writing, being involved in her church youth group and spending time with her friends and family. Kayla's favorite part of being on the journalism staff is working on both Tiger Tales and Tiger Times, working on the yearbook and promoting school pride throughout all three.

**Cheerleaders boost school spirit with pep rally themes**

by Tori Brooks

This year the Elba Varsity cheerleaders devised a plan to pep up the Tigers during football season.

Each Friday the pep-rally has a theme linking with the mascot of the opposing team. The first game's theme was "Hats Off to the Tigers".

The second game's theme was "Rock the Raiders". Each stu-



Kayla Kelley

After graduation, she plans to attend either Troy or Auburn University where she would like to pursue a degree in English and become a member of either university's journalism staff.

Congratulations, Kayla, on being in the spotlight.

### Elba JV Cheerleader squad wins camp awards

by Melanie Mularz

The Elba High School Junior Varsity Cheerleaders officially began their season at the Foggy Bottom Classic and at the first regular season football game of the year. These appearances were the culmination of countless hours of hard work and were only two of many public appearances the squad will make during the 2005-06 school year.

The cheerleaders practiced hard during summer months to learn their cheers, chants, routines and dances. They also attended a camp sponsored by the Universal Cheerleaders Association at Troy University.

The squad attended the camp to learn new cheers and to perfect the fundamentals of cheerleading. While at camp, the Elba squad competed against other squads in various skills.

The Elba JV squad placed second in "Home Pom" competition, competed in the camp championships and won both the "Extreme Routine" and the cheer championship. The squad also worked with camp instruc-



Elba High School's Junior Varsity Cheerleaders: (bottom-left to right) Kyna Coleman, Kayla Rials, Molly McGuire, Cortnee Driggers; (middle-left to right) Meredith Brunson, Cortlin Lee, April Finedore; (top-left to right) Gabby Pope and Mase Thomas. Not pictured - Ashley Bailey

### Elba High School's Key Club ready to serve

by Kayla Kelley

The Elba High School Key Club is returning for its third year. After having their charter ceremony this past school year,

the club is ready to begin serving others, which happens to be their prime focus.

Under the direction of Mr. Ricky Carlile, the Elba Key Club will be conducting many philanthropic projects, including a dinner and a movie night planned for November. Last year the organization put together their first dinner and a movie event and it came off as a great success, raising \$400 for tsunami victims.

The Key Club has many other community service projects in mind and hope that they will have the support of the community when carrying out these assignments.

During their first meeting, held on August 22, the club elected their 2005-2006 officers. The officers are: Kayla Kelley, President; Judson Vaughan, Vice-President; Christina Bryant, Secretary; Stacee Mitchell, Treasurer; Shawnda Whittfield; Ewen Chairperson; and Gucci Hudson, Junior Representative.

These officers are already working very hard to make the Elba High School Key Club a respectful organization and is ready to lend a helping hand.

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In individual competition Kayla Rials was selected as an All-Star Cheerleader. Members of the 2005-2006 squad are Cortlin Lee, Molly McGuire (seventh graders). Their sponsor is Mrs. Lisa Rials.

Congratulations girls on a job well done!

### Co-Op Spotlight

by Stephanie Corder



This week's coop spotlight is Andrea Bond. She is the 17-year-old daughter of Bruce and Corinthia Bond.

Andrea is currently employed at Kelley Foods, where she works as an office clerk, and has been working there since school started.

She plays the clarinet in the marching band and is a part of FCCLA, VICA and FBLA. Andrea also attends the First Baptist Church of Elba.

After high school she plans to attend Troy and earn her BSN. Congratulations Andrea!

### KEY CLUB OFFICERS

... (bottom-left to right) Christina Bryant and Gucci Hudson; (top-left to right) Stacee Mitchell, Kayla Kelley, Shawnda Whittfield and Judson Vaughan.

### Elba Elementary School Menu

September 26 - 30, 2005

#### BREAKFAST

**Monday** - Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday** - French Toast/Syrup, Link Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Eggs, Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Thursday** - Biscuit & Jelly, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Friday** - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

#### LUNCH

**Monday** - Hot Dog, California Style Vegetables, Oven Fries, Sliced Pears, Milk  
**Tuesday** - Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, English Peas, Roll, Peach Cup, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Burrito w/ Cheese, Rice, Salsa, Green Salad, 1/2 Apple  
**Thursday** - Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce, Com, Baby Carrots, Crackers, Fruit Cocktail, Milk  
**Friday** - Cheeseburger, Potato Rounds, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Oatmeal Cookie, Milk

### Elba Elementary School starts 'welcome buddy' system

by Shawanna Wright

Starting a new school can be very frightening for some students. They have moved away from all their friends and are forced to make new ones.

Elba Elementary has come up with a plan to help make that a whole lot easier for someone who is a newcomer to their school.

The "Welcome Buddy" Program consists of several students from each grade to show new students around the elementary campus. The tour includes the library, nurse's office, gym, pencil store, office, and their own classroom.

Mrs. Lynn Baker, who is in charge of the program, encour-

ages the welcome buddies to invite the new students to "hang around" with them and make them feel welcome, because it's not easy being the "new kid on the block."

Welcome Buddies from each grade consists of:

**First Grade** Shanya Thomas, Chris Wilson, Nichole Johnson, Emily Andrews, Millicent Nolty, Logan Davis, Tanner Skinner, Justin Messick;

**Second Grade** Cammie McCollough, Cayenne Stinson, Maggie Johnson, Quan Jordan, Erin Smith, Colton Skipper, DeShawn Edwards, Teona Williams;

**Third Grade** Emilee Hudson, Victoria Greer, Raheem Newsom, Paige Weeks, Griffin Martin, Abby Parish, A'Jaslin Whifield;

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# SCHOOL NEWS

### Kinston School steps up to the plate to aid Katrina victims

by Matthew Snell

Over the past two weeks, the students at Kinston School have been busy aiding the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

The newly formed Student Council has been spearheading the project by assembling personal items needed for care packets. The packets are turned over to the Red Cross to be distributed accordingly.

The project named "Kinston Cares" has received a massive response with over 400 assembled packets turned in. Items in the packets include, but are not limited to: soap, shampoo, anti-septic wipes, combs, brushes, and shampoo.

The students were also asked to include a note of encouragement in each package.

Seniors at Kinston School packed the items to be delivered to the Red Cross for the residents of the Gulf Coast.



Student Council Officers Josh Driver, Matt Odom, Matt Snell and Sue Ellen Weeks, sponsor.



Kinston Lady Bulldogs enjoying successful volleyball season

**Bulldog News**  
from  
Kinston Schools

The junior varsity team also won in two games with scores of 25-7 and 25-9.

The Lady Bulldogs varsity girls won in three straight games with scores of 25-16, 25-5 and 25-16.

The junior high team beat Opp in two games with scores of 25-4 and 26-24.



Crystal Baker warms up along with the rest of the Lady Bulldog junior varsity team.



Annie Hendrix is the 4-H school representative talks to Mrs. Moody's class about upcoming 4-H projects. She also invited all 4-H members and their families to a Peanut Boil on Monday, Sept. 19, at the New Brockton Farm Center.

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### The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

A new Thursday night tradition at the Mularz family kitchen is to bake cookies or brownies for Melanie to pass out the next day to football players. Our oldest daughter also did her part as a cheerleader for years and took her share of baked goods for the team, but this year our youngest isn't quite as brave in the kitchen and it has become somewhat of a family affair. The key is to make sure you bake enough to have plenty left over for the taste-testers to insure the players will enjoy the treat, and so far so good!

#### TIGERS SCORE AT WILL IN WIN OVER GENEVA COUNTY

The Elba Tigers scored almost at will in the first half last week in their 47-17 region win over Geneva County and in doing so evened their record at 2-2 and claimed their first region win of the season. The Tigers got on the scoreboard immediately as LaRay Williams returned the opening kickoff 86 yards for a touchdown, then added five more first half scores to open up a 41-0 halftime bulge. Elba's first half scoring drives covered 78, 58, 60, 52 and 87 yards, but none took more than seven plays, and the 87-yard drive just before the end of the half consisted of only three plays. The offense totally dominated the Geneva County defenders and Friday night was one of those nights when the Tigers could have possibly scored in triple digits if they had tried, and the clock would not have run non-stop due to the lopsided score. Elba's offense rolled up almost 500 total yards and on the ground the Tigers runners rolled up 340 yards on only 32 carries, an average of over 10 yards per run. Over on defense the Tigers gave up some yardage on the ground, but really got after the Bulldog running backs and for the first time in weeks the Elba fans actually heard the sound of pads popping on the field. Eighteen different Tigers made tackles on defense in the win, and that helped keep the players rested and got many younger players in on the action. It was an easy win that allowed the players to have some fun and it should give the Tigers a much-needed shot of confidence with some very big games coming up in the weeks to come.

#### FOUR AREA TEAMS ENJOY A WINNING WEEK

The fourth week of the high school football season is now in the books and it was quite a week as three of the four teams in the area all posted wins. Here's a quick look back at the week that was...

\*\*\* Zion Chapel (1-3) - The Rebels started a rugged ground game with a hard hitting defense to blast McKenzie 33-0 to claim their first win of the season. The Rebels rolled up almost 300 yards on the ground as they dominated the line of scrimmage, and over on defense they kicked butt and took names as they held the Tigers to only 8 yards in total offense. If the same Rebels show up the rest of the season that took the field Friday night they could very well run the board and pile up one.

\*\*\* New Brockton (3-1) - The Gamecocks had an easy time in a 41-0 romp past Samson and continued their defensive dominance with their third straight shut-out through four quarters of play. The Gamecocks have not allowed a touchdown in regulation play since the first quarter of the opening game against Zion Chapel, and are gaining more and more confidence every time they hit the field. Now that the offense finally joined in on the fun look for the Gamecocks to only get better and better.

\*\*\* Brantley (0-0) - The Bulldogs dominated Ariton from start to finish in a big 41-0 region win and it looks like the 'Dogs are once again on their way to another region race. The Bulldogs flexed their muscles early and often in scoring three touchdowns off punts, and simply lined up and played smash-mouth football in running over and around the Purple Cats. Brantley is still working out some kinks and making a few changes every time they hit the field, but there can be no doubt the Bulldogs are beginning to find themselves and are close to being full-speed.

\*\*\* Kinston (2-2) - The Bulldogs were simply no match for Flora and dropped a 56-6 decision to the high-scoring Wildcats. The Bulldogs had hopes for an upset after winning two of their opening three games, but it wasn't to be as they fell behind early and never threatened. The youthful Bulldogs were visibly upset after the loss, despite the lopsided nature of the final score, and that can only mean that Kinston doesn't like to lose and will fight to get back in the win column.

#### FOURTH WEEK OF PREP SEASON FILLED WITH ACTION

The fourth week of the high school football season is now in the books and it was another exciting week of action that included a couple of surprises. Here's a quick look back....

\*\*\* Red Level closed out its stretch of three games in seven days and it was apparently too much for the Tigers to handle as they fell to 2-2 on the season.

\*\*\* Eufaula remained undefeated with a 28-0 win over B.T. Washington after four weeks the Tigers have to be one of the biggest surprises in the 5A ranks. Eufaula had struggled a year ago after losing coach Shane Wedden, but are now back on track and may be a team to keep an eye on.

\*\*\* Enterprise moved to 4-0 with a big 50-28 romp past previously undefeated Central, of Phenix City, and all of the sudden the Wildcats are making a lot of noise in the 6A ranks and are being heard all across the state. While the Wildcats still have their tough games ahead on the schedule, being 4-0 is a great way to start and the 'Cats have to be flying sky high.

\*\*\* Geneva also remained undefeated with a 13-6 win over St. James and after four weeks of play there can be little doubt the Panthers are for real. The Panthers have been one of the winningest teams in 4A circles for years, and maybe this will be the year they take that next step and bring home some silverware.

\*\*\* Highland Home moved to 4-0 with a 55-12 win over B.B. Comer and after four wins the Squidrons are averaging over 40 points and game and has everyone's attention in the 2A ranks. Highland Home is loaded with athletes in the top three grades and has begun to win in every sport, not just football, which everyone in the country is excited about sports.

\*\*\* Houston Academy defeated Cottenham 28-12 in a big 2A shoot-out and with a 4-0 record the Raiders may be better than many think. Houston Academy doesn't get its share of credit due to the fact that it's a private school and has fingers pointed its way concerning recruiting, but the Raiders ignore the critics and just keep on winning. Watch out, these guys will be for real after a...

\*\*\* Robert E. Lee evened its record at 2-2 with a 33-26 win over Lanier and after the game Lanier coach Richard Moncrief stated "Lee is awful and we pitiful and we lost it. Tonight we lost the battle of the most pitiful." I guess that sums up the way some feel about the world of 6A football up in the Capitol City.

\*\*\* Opp got its first win of the season with a 22-17 decision over Bullock County. While the win was sweet and will help the Bobcats confidence after opening the season with three straight losses, the Bobcats and their fans need to remember Bullock County is the same team that lost to Kinston way back in week one.

\*\*\* Carroll got its short winning streak snapped in a stunning 38-32 loss to Russell County and the Eagles over in Ozark may have got caught reading the papers and listening to all the fan patting on the back after getting off to a 2-1 start. Now that the Eagles have been shot down it will be interesting to see if they can get back up and salvage a winning season.

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\*\*\* Auburn (0-0) - The Tigers knew it had an easy win and never even broke a sweat in a 63-3 win over Ball State. The Tigers and their fans will argue when someone says something about their easy schedule, but so far this season the Tigers have had two automatic wins and have another one just around the corner. I guess when the preseas ends Auburn will be ready to go and Coach Tubby can smile and brag again.

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